

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

At page 2, paragraph 2, starting on line 17 and continuing to page 3, line 18, please change to read as follows:

According to a first aspect, the present invention provides a gaming console having an electronic display means, and game control means arranged to control images displayed on the electronic display means, the game control means being arranged to play a game wherein a plurality of symbols are randomly selected and displayed on the electronic display means and, if a winning combination results, the console pays a prize, the game being characterised in that the displayed images include a first image component which displays basic game features and a second image component which displays non-basic image features which appear superimposed on the first image component and are additional to the basic game features, the second image component being transparent, whereby the first image component is visible through the second image component under the control of the control means, and wherein the first image component and the second image component are displayed on the same electronic display.

~~According to a second aspect, the present invention provides a gaming console having display means, and game control means arranged to control images displayed on the display means, the game control means being arranged to play a game wherein a plurality of symbols are randomly selected and displayed on the display means and, if a winning combination results, the console pays a prize, the game being characterized in that the displayed images include a first image component which displays basic game features and a second image component which displays image features which appear superimposed on the first image component, the second image component being transparent, whereby the first image component is visible through the~~

second image component under the control of the control means, and wherein the second image is variably transparent.

— According to a third aspect, the present invention provides a gaming console having display means, and game control means arranged to control images displayed on the display means, the game control means being arranged to play a game wherein a plurality of symbols are randomly selected and displayed on the display means and, if a winning combination results, the console pays a prize, the game being characterized in that the displayed images include a first image component which displays basic game features and a second image component which displays image features which appear superimposed on the first image component, the second image component being transparent, whereby the first image component is visible through the second image component under the control of the control means, and wherein the second image is animated.
